

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-37. (Cancelled)

38. (Currently Amended) A modular structure for receiving and transporting individuals or equipment, comprising:

a frame formed from a plurality of frame portions; and

a shell formed from a plurality of abutting armored panels and each of the abutting armored panels formed of a single piece and forming at least a portion of the interior and exterior surface of the modular structure;

each of the frame portions being secured to at least one of the armored panels to form discrete units, the units being configured and aligned to form the modular structure in a first configuration, the first configuration including a central unit and a plurality of outer units, the outer units being removably connected to the central unit and protruding from the central unit, wherein at least two of the outer units are substantially perpendicular to each other, and the central and outer units being configured to be separated to disassemble the modular structure, wherein the units are configured and aligned to be interchangeable with units from other modular structures in at least a second configuration, wherein the first configuration is different from the second configuration.

39. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the modular structure comprises means for joining with another modular structure to form a larger modular structure.

40. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, further comprising seats secured within the modular structure.

41. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 40, wherein the seats are floor mounted helicopter seats having a four point harness.

42. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein a portion of the armored panels are configured to be removed from an interior of the modular structure to form ports.

43. (Cancelled)

44. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the armored panels comprise a fiber-reinforced polymer.

45. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 44, wherein the fiber of the fiber-reinforced polymer is a para-aramid fiber.

46. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units is hinged to form an entry point of the modular structure.

47. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units is configured to be removed from the modular structure to form a port in a side portion of the modular structure.

48. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting weaponry.

49. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting a crane.

50. (Cancelled)

51. (Cancelled)

52. (Currently Amended) A modular structure for receiving and transporting individuals or equipment, comprising:

a frame formed from a plurality of tubular frame portions, wherein the tubular frame portions are discrete and separable; and

a shell formed from a plurality of abutting armored panels, the frame and shell configured to form an elongate shape with a first end area and an opposite second end area, each of the abutting armored panels formed of a single piece and forming at least a portion of an interior surface of the modular structure and an exterior surface of the modular structure having no void between the interior surface and exterior surface,

each of the frame portions being secured to at least one of the armored panels to form discrete units, the units being configured and aligned to form the modular structure, the modular structure including a first unit and a plurality of second units, the second units being removably connected to the first unit and protruding from the first unit, wherein at least two of the second units are substantially perpendicular to each other, and the first and second units being configured to be separated to disassemble the modular structure, at least one of the units having a hinged configuration to form an entry point of the modular structure, the entry point forming an opening in the modular structure that encompasses substantially all of the first end area.

53. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the modular structure comprises means for joining with another modular structure to form a larger modular structure.

54. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, further comprising seats secured within the modular structure.

55. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 54, wherein the seats are floor mounted helicopter seats having a four point harness.

56. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein a portion of the armored panels are configured to be removed from an interior of the modular structure to form ports.

57. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the units are configured to be removed from the modular structure and joinable with another modular structure.

58. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the armored panel comprises a fiber-reinforced polymer.

59. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 58, wherein the fiber of the fiber-reinforced polymer is a para-aramid fiber.

60. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein at least one of the

units is configured to be removed from the modular structure to form a port in a side portion of the modular structure.

61. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting at least one of weaponry and a crane.

62. (Cancelled)

63. (Cancelled)

64. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, further comprising seats secured within at least one of the first and second modular sections.

65. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, wherein a portion of the armored panels are configured to be removed from an interior of the modular structure to form ports.

66. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, wherein the modular sections are configured to be removed from the modular structure and configured to be joined with at least a third modular section to form a second modular structure.

67. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, wherein the armored panel comprises a fiber-reinforced polymer.

68. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 67, wherein the fiber of the

fiber-reinforced polymer is a para-aramid fiber.

69. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, wherein the armored panels abut each other.

70. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, wherein at least a portion of one of the modular sections is configured to be removed from the modular structure to form a port in a side portion of the modular structure.

71. (Previously Presented) The modular structure recited in claim 74, wherein at least one of the modular sections includes an attachment area for mounting at least one of weaponry and a crane.

72. (Cancelled)

73. (Cancelled)

74. (Currently Amended) A modular structure for receiving and transporting individuals or equipment, comprising:

a first frame formed from a plurality of frame portions;

a first shell formed from a plurality of armored panels;

the first frame, extending around the exterior of the first shell, and first shell forming a first modular section having a bottom surface, a top surface and at least three sides, each of the armored panels being formed of a single panel forming the first shell and forming at least a portion of the interior surface and exterior surface of the first modular section having no void between the interior surface and exterior surface;

first coupling means arranged on the first modular section and configured for joining the first modular section with at least one other modular section;

a second frame formed from a plurality of frame portions;

a second shell formed from a plurality of armored panels;

the second frame, extending around the exterior of the second shell, and second shell forming a second modular section having a bottom surface, a top surface and at least three sides, each of the armored panels being formed of a single panel forming the second shell and forming at least a portion of the interior and exterior surface of the second modular section having no void between the interior surface and the exterior surface; and

second coupling means arranged on the second modular section and configured for joining the second modular section to at least the first modular section;

a third frame formed from a plurality of frame portions;

a third shell formed from a plurality of armored panels;

the third frame, extending around the exterior of the third shell, and third shell forming a third modular section having a bottom surface, a top surface and at least three sides, each of the armored panels being formed of a single panel forming the first shell and forming at least a portion of the interior surface and exterior surface of the first modular section having no void between the interior surface and exterior surface;

third coupling means arranged on the third modular section and configured for joining the third modular section with at least one other modular section;

wherein the first modular section is a center unit and the second and third modular sections are removably connected to the center unit and protrude outward from the center unit, the second and third sections being substantially perpendicular to each other.

75. (Cancelled)

76. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 38, wherein the first configuration is a cross shape.

77. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 38, wherein the central unit is a command center.

78. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 38, wherein at least one of the plurality of outer units is a medical center and wherein at least another of the plurality of outer units is a telecommunications center.

79. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 38, wherein the modular structure includes at least four outer units.

80. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 52, wherein the first unit is a central unit.

81. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 52, wherein the first unit is a command center.

82. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 52, wherein at least one of the second units of the plurality of second units is a medical center and at least another of the second units is a telecommunications center.

83. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 52, wherein the modular structure is cross shaped.



84. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 52, wherein the plurality of second units includes at least four units.

85. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 74, wherein the first modular section is a command center.

86. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 74, wherein the second modular section is a medical center and the third modular section is a telecommunications center.

87. (Previously Presented) The modular structure of claim 74, wherein the modular structure is cross shaped.